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Hello Tony and Heather:

See some a summary of questions we are getting that we hope to have answered by the Navy via the FAQ and 7/24 Presentation:

What do we have in the way of documented assurance that TetraTech data from Alameda Point clean up are bona fide and there were no instances as happened with Hunters Point data?

Can we have the Navy provide some assurances?

Did Tetra Tech also do the testing and cleanup at Alameda Point? If so, did they use a "scanner van", as was used at Hunters Point?

How does Hunters Point differ from Alameda Point, both in historical use and subsequent testing?

Does it make sense to do some repeat testing?

From Council member: here's an excerpt from the Chronicle story that concerns me:

"But according to Bowers and other former radiation workers at the shipyard, Parcel A has never been adequately checked for radioactive contaminants. The EPA scanner van looked at only a fraction of Parcel A, and was incapable of identifying certain types of radiation known to be present at the shipyard, according to one of the whistle-blowers and an independent expert familiar with the van and its capabilities . . .

In fact, everyone agrees that Tetra Tech did minimal radiological work on Parcel A. The EPA and Navy had determined the land was clean, so never ordered a full soil sampling . . .

And that's the problem, according to whistle-blowers and experts who say there is no way to know exactly what is in the ground at Parcel A. The land was never rigorously inspected for radiation. Navy and EPA analyses of Parcel A are based on incomplete historical records and decades-old surveys . . .

The upshot: Parcel A may be free of radioactivity above harmful levels. Or it may not."

I may have some other questions later this week as well.

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